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Arriving daily by express and fast freight, selected by Mr. Munson, who has been in New York for some time, and who will remain some weeks longer in order to procure the latest novelties as they appear in the great fashion centers of the East. It is impossible to describe the many beautiful things we are now showing in

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We have just opened a magnificent line of wraps, and so extensive that every lady will be likely to find just what she wants and at the price she intended to pay.

Attended Our Great Wrap Sale This Week

New Parasols.	New Shawls.	New Shawls.
New Satens.	New Satens.	Low Prices.
New Ribbons.	New Ribbons.	Low Prices.
Everything New.	New Jackets.	New Jackets.
New Hosiery.	New Gloves.	New Gloves.
	New Wraps.	New Wraps.

ATTEND THE

Great Sale of Spring Goods THIS WEEK.

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JOCELYN'S

Real Estate Exchange Special Bargains.

- 4 lots cor Chicago ave and Seneca, West Side, \$25,000.
- 2 lots, Market, bet Park and 10th, good house, e. f. \$3,000.
- 100 ft Water st, near Waterman st, \$16,000.
- 100 ft Douglas ave, cor Penn, \$16,500.
- 100 ft Washington ave, cor Prince, \$11,000.
- 68 ft S Fourth ave, near English st, \$18,000.
- 2 lots n Emporia ave, bet Elm and Pine, \$10,900.
- 150 ft S Douglas, cor Penn, \$18,000.
- 60 ft n Lawrence, near Oak, fine house, \$15,000.
- 60 ft n Topeka, with modern residence, \$10,000.
- 75 ft n Topeka, near 1st, 7-room house \$20,000.
- 60 ft on Mosley ave \$3,750.
- 75 ft S Emporia, cor Lewis \$11,250.
- 100 ft 4th ave and Lewis \$15,000.
- 100 ft Waco, near 3d st, \$10,000.
- 50 ft Water st, bet Williams and English, \$12,000.
- 98 ft 2nd cor Topeka and Morris, e. f. \$1,000.
- 70 ft n Market, near Oak, \$7,500.
- 125 ft cor Wichita and sts \$14,000.
- 95 ft cor Mosley and 3d \$10,500.
- 50 ft Main st, bet 3d and Central, \$22,500.
- 7 lots Fannie ave, Strong's add, e. f. \$1,600.
- 4 lots Hydrault ave, Strong's add, e. f. \$1,875.
- 4 lots Garfield add, e. f. \$4,000.
- 4 lots Riverside add, e. f. \$3,600.
- 4 lots Carey Park, corner, e. f. \$3,600.
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- 4 lots Ellis ave, Lincoln st add, \$2,200.
- 8 lots Fannie ave, Hotchkiss & Wheeler's add, \$3,200.
- 2 lots Wichita st, bet 10th and 11th, new 7-room house, \$4,500.
- 4 lots Lulu ave, McCormick's add \$1,800.
- 3 lots Ellis ave, Strong's add \$1,125.
- 2 lots Lincoln st, Garfield add \$700.
- 50 ft Cleveland ave, bet 1st and 2nd, 5-room house, \$2,300.
- 125 ft S Market, bet Howard and Zimery, \$2,500.
- 2 lots Patti ave, Lincoln st add, \$900.
- 100 ft n Lawrence, 6-room house, shade and fruit, \$5,800.
- 50 ft Matthews ave, bet 1st and 2nd, new 5-room house \$2,750.
- 4 lots e University add \$1,000.
- 4 lots Garfield add \$1,400.
- 4 lots Garfield 2nd add, s and e f corner, \$1,250.
- 4 lots Glendale add \$2,250.
- 4 lots Fern ave, Wheeler's, s e corner, \$1,275.
- 150x207 ft Arkansas ave and 16th \$3,500.

The cheapest lots offered in the best suburb of Wichita in College Place, immediately north of the sister's academy, lots \$150 to \$200 each.

These are Special Bargains. Call and investigate.

S. E. JOCELYN,

126 N. MAIN ST.

THE PIVOTAL STATE

Stafford Smiling, Speaks of Her Flattering Prospects Since the Completion of

The D. M. & A. R. R. to that City, Connecting Her with the Busy World.

Junction City Jurymen Make it Exceedingly Interesting for Slick Citizens.

The Oswego Oracle Overjoyed at the Outlook for Thrifty Growth—Kinsley Kicking.

Anthony Revelling in the Intoxications of Unmeasured Good Fortune of Prosperity and Enjoyments of the Day.

Kicking Bird at Anthony.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.
ANTHONY, Kan., March 29.—The canvas covered wagons with the chickens in the coop and the lean cow tied behind are pouring through the streets bound for the rich government lands out west. Capitalists are coming in and investing largely. There is more building in Anthony this season than ever before; it will reach well on to a million dollars this year. The new three-story opera house building, 75x100 feet, is well under way. E. B. Appleby of Wichita will commence at once a fire proof building for a sash, door and blind factory and planing mill. Other manufacturing establishments are in contemplation.

Kicking Bird delivered his two lectures to a highly appreciative and cultured audience during the week and is preparing a third lecture on The Great Kansas Boom. Heand Col. Tom Richardson go from here to Cimarron next week and to Hutchinson the week after.

The Claire Pattee Company and the Georgia Minstrels played to fine audiences here last week.

S'more Stafford Serene Sayings.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.
STAFFORD, Kan., March 29.—The Denver, Memphis & Atlantic ran their first passenger train into this city yesterday. Three coaches were filled with visitors from Kingman and other places on their line. The company will run two regular passenger trains each way daily.

The DeLorme-Neal Theatre Company opened in Clyn's opera house last evening to a full house. They will remain the entire week and are a first rate company.

Samuel Bigger of Hutchinson, was in our city yesterday and invested quite heavily in city property.

Mr. Cuthran of Cuthran & Co., real estate agents of this city, will at once put up a two-story brick business building on Broadway, west of the postoffice. The second floor will be occupied as offices.

The D. M. & A. Gets There.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.
KINSLEY, Kan., March 29.—At the election today the bonds for the D. M. & A. railroad were carried in Kinsley township by five hundred and thirty-one majority; in Jackson township by about fifty; other townships not heard from but undoubtedly carried. Great rejoicing here tonight.

LATER.—All townships voting on D. M. & A. bonds have been heard from and bonds carried in all by large majorities.

Manifest Appreciation.

ATCHEISON, Kan., March 29.—The employees of the Missouri Pacific railway in northern Kansas and Nebraska presented Col. W. W. Fagan, the superintendent of the Central Branch division, with a very handsome gold watch this evening. The watch was ordered from New York and cost \$500. Hon. B. P. Waggoner, the general attorney of the company, made the presentation speech. Col. Fagan will retire from the road April 1 to assume the duties of general superintendent of the Kansas City, Springfield & Memphis road with headquarters at Kansas City. He will be succeeded here by Captain David Smith of the Union Pacific in Idaho. Col. Fagan's departure from the Central Branch is universally regretted along the line. When he took the road seven years ago it was run down and in bad condition and he leaves it in first class shape. The people along the line are contented and traffic the largest in the history of the company. As a citizen he is very popular and his townsmen unite in expressions of good will.

Junction City Jettings.

JUNCTION CITY, Kan., March 29.—The jury in the case of the state vs. Smith, for the murder of Thomas Hill, rendered a verdict of murder in the second degree.

The burglars who broke open dry goods houses in this city about a week ago, and who were captured in Topeka last Saturday, are now on trial. The grand jury are making it unusually interesting for the criminal element. The evidence is strong and they will undoubtedly be sent to the pen.

Two deals have just been made in suburban property amounting to over \$20,000, and the boom gathers strength every day. General Sheridan mapped out improvements while at Ft. Riley which will take five years to complete. Many thousands of dollars will be expended at that post during the next five years.

Railroad Checker-Board.

CLAY CENTER, Kan., March 29.—The county commissioners have called bond elections to vote on Rock Island and Chicago, Omaha & Southwestern railroad propositions for May 3d. The first named line will run diagonally through the county from southeast to northwest, and the latter from north to south, nearly in the center of the county.

Blaine and Parry.

NEW YORK, March 29.—James G. Blaine left the city at 2 o'clock this morning on the train for St. Louis. He was provided with a special car on the limited express and was accompanied by his young daughter, Hattie, James G. Blaine Jr. and wife, and Stephen E. Tilden, wife and young son.

Oswego Onto It.

OSWEGO, Kan., March 29.—The contract by the city council for putting up electric lights and a first-class system of water works here, seems to have instilled new life in every citizen of Oswego, and everybody is confident of healthy growth during the present year. Real estate is raising in price very rapidly and many desirable business locations have changed hands during the past week. Several gentlemen who have been speculating in Ft. Smith property moved their headquarters from there to this city and were today mingling with our real estate men.

Leavenworth Politics.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., March 29.—At the Democratic city convention held here today heavy leading Democrats who had been elected failed to attend. Neely was renominated for mayor by a small majority. The mayor was on hand in a room adjoining the hall in which the convention was held. He appeared at once before the convention and declined the nomination, much to the surprise of those who did not understand the program.

It is all well understood as a trick and that he will again be nominated Wednesday by the adjourned convention and will promptly accept. The contest will then be with Neely, the Democratic candidate, against Thomas A. Garrigus, who has received the nomination on the citizens' ticket and by the Republican city convention and the workmen of Leavenworth.

Trouble a Brewing.

CHICAGO, March 29.—The carpenters of this city are preparing to enforce demands for eight hours and thirty-five cents per hour April 1st. The secretary of the Carpenters' Council informed the carpenter bosses that a conference was advisable. The latter told him that as the men had issued their ultimatum there was no necessity for a conference. The employees, however, refused to accept the ultimatum and trouble might be adjusted and settled, for a year at least. Employers will take no action till after the convention to be held for the purpose of forming a national union. The plan for consolidation of building trades into one district is progressing rapidly and a week of week consolidation may be effected.

Already the following well organized unions have signified their intention of joining the Building Trades Union: Carpenters, Bricklayers, Stone Carriers, Plumbers, Hod Carriers, Plasterers, Painters, Driers, Gas Fitters and others will follow. The object of the district is to work for mutual protection, and assist each other in case of a strike. Eight hours a day will be the rule among them and some have already asked for an advance of wages. The work of the body will be done by a central council composed of three delegates from each organization and after all the building trades have been invited there will probably be forty delegates in the council. The body will represent 25,000 to 35,000 men.

Commissioner Cooley.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Judge Cooley will leave for Washington today to meet the other railroad commissioners appointed under the interstate commerce law. Before leaving for the east he will hand in his resignation as receiver of the Wabash railroad to Judge Graham and will ask to be relieved from the duties of receiver at an early day. In a brief talk at the Sherman house yesterday, Judge Cooley said he had no idea who would succeed him as receiver, but there were many competent persons and a selection ought not to be difficult. The first question now before the court will take up for consideration will be regarding the application by the associated roads of Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama to be allowed special rates for through traffic without affecting their local traffic on account of competition by the Ohio River and Mississippi River lines. Judge Cooley says the commission is authorized to grant special rates in such cases if it finds water competition materially affects the through traffic of railroads.

The Bell Telephone Company.

BOSTON, March 29.—The annual report of the directors of the Bell Telephone Company shows 9,818 subscribers, against 3,000 in 1885. The company reported 3,000 miles of wire, 2,613 of which is underground. Average connections for year 312,000,000. The policy of extending underground wires is to be extended. Long line service between Philadelphia and New York is soon to be established. Long line service between New York and Boston will be completed during the present year. The Canadian Company increased the earnings from \$100,000 to \$190,000 this year. The treasurer's report shows earnings for 1886, \$3,097,000 against \$2,765,884 in 1885; net earnings of \$1,947,283, against \$1,083,196 in 1885; dividends paid in 1886, \$1,178,232; extra dividends \$292,084; surplus account December 31, 1886, \$1,491,380, against \$1,204,120.

Prize Blogging.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 29.—Wm. F. Harding, Richard K. Fox's representative who was referee in the prize fight between Jimmy Mitchell of Philadelphia and Paddy Smith of Brooklyn who fought at Philadelphia last night, says that the prize was a diamond belt and \$1,000, is on his way to Chicago. He was arrested on the roof of the building adjoining that in which the fight took place but finally gave the officers the slip. Harding says the battle was the best ever fought since Billy Edwards and Smith are worthy to fight for championship honors. Harding said Richard K. Fox would back Jake Kilrain to fight any man in America for the heavy weight diamond belt and \$2,500 or \$5,000 a side.

A Dire Alternative.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 29.—The action of the Democratic committee in running the Democratic ticket for office, C. E. M. Allen, nominated at a former convention, for city attorney. It is doubtful if the committee officers will secure names to fill the other blanks before election day. It is probable that Mr. Hoffman, who is a socialist, will name a committee that will either decline to place a Democratic ticket in the field, or to prevent the Republicans from gaining power in the city, will boldly endorse the socialist ticket from head to tail.

Who Wants an Office?

CHICAGO, March 29.—Despite the efforts of the committee appointed yesterday to secure a Democratic nominee for mayor, the convention will meet today without any name for E. C. W. Brega, who was the latest man mentioned for the office, last night and he positively refused to accept the nomination.

Nothing Definite Divulged.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The Stayer-Ins party today held a conference with the Erie-Thomas party in relation to the Baltimore & Ohio purchase. The conference is said to have been in relation to the Erie road joining the system which is to operate the Baltimore & Ohio when the road is transferred, but no definite particulars can be obtained.

NOTED MURDER CASES.

Important Testimony Elicited from a Witness Proving the Theory Set up of

A Conspiracy Formed Prior to the Murder to Dispose of the Victim.

The Afternoon Spent in Discussing the Competency of Relevant Testimony.

The Court Overrules the Objection to Admission of Evidence to Establish a Conspiracy.

Trial of the Murderer of Kellogg Nichols, the Express Messenger at Morris, Ill., Begun at That Place.

THE HADDOCK MURDER CASE.

Testimony of Witnesses, Argument of Counsel, Ruling of the Court.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 29.—Henry I. Leavitt was recalled this morning and again cross-examined.

Following his testimony came Mrs. Leavitt, his wife. The important part of her testimony related to a conversation she overheard just under her room window between Leavitt and Aresendorf shortly after the murder. Aresendorf said he had been before the coroner's jury, but he didn't know what he said before the grand jury; that Peters was a dumb Dutchman and couldn't be fixed, and that he would have to send him away. After Aresendorf left her husband, Mrs. Leavitt motioned for Harry to go up stairs and he did so. The subject of the conversation between the two men was talked over. She denied that she had said these saloon men in St. Louis City had no sand, and that "If I had them, I would put them in the penitentiary for two years. I would do up Haddock myself." She had never heard the name of Haddock before the murder.

Albert Koschinski, alias Bismarck, was the next witness and is now on the stand. He was arrested in San Francisco in October. After his arrest he made a confession and charged the shooting on Aresendorf.

Much interest attaches to his testimony. St. Louis, Mo., March 29.—With the exception of a few moments spent in examining United States Attorney Murphy, as he wished to leave the city, the entire afternoon was consumed by the lawyers in discussion of the competency of certain testimony. The point involved was clearly this: Whether evidence would be introduced at this time on the question of conspiracy which led to the result of the murder in which John Aresendorf was not even needed by his presence. Up to this date this objection has been sustained by the court, but the state now reached the point, for they contend when a conspiracy out of which the great murder had been established and all matters relative to that conspiracy, whether Aresendorf was present at their inception or not, could be admitted. At 3:30 p. m. the argument ended and the court, in passing upon the objection, said: All of the testimony which perhaps one exception, practices in this court frequently and are here, hence, I now say that it is the view of this court that unless the point raised disposes of the case finally, the court says but little upon the question when passing upon it. It is the view of this court that instructions are not to be given to the jury in the way of arguments from the bench, only so much is said as may be necessary to advise counsel of the position of the court upon the point raised.

We have arrived at that point in the case now where the counsel for the state seek to introduce statements of one George Treiber, who they allege, or claim was a conspirator with the defendant on trial. The defendant objects to the testimony upon the ground that the indictment should allege not only the evidence, but the facts showing the conspiracy. The second ground of the objection is to show a prima facie case of conspiracy, hence not entitled to be admitted. The third ground of objection is, as I understand it, that this testimony relates to a period anterior to the criminal enterprise, or to the pendency of the alleged conspiracy, and hence not admissible.

With reference to the first point I may say that it is my view, as it always has been in a case of this kind, that it is not necessary that the state should allege a conspiracy in a charge for murder where the murder is the result of a conspiracy on the part of several individuals. An indictment on form, such as the one under which the defendant is now on trial, is sufficient to entitle the state to introduce such testimony as is now offered.

With reference to the next point in the case I may say that whether a conspiracy or is not established is a question of fact, of course, for the jury. They are to determine whether the conspiracy is established. If such testimony is introduced or has been introduced as to make a prima facie case, then it is the duty of the court to allow those statements to go to the jury to enable them to determine whether it is fact that a conspiracy has been established. On these propositions of the law, I take it, there can be no controversy; there does not seem to have been any in the discussion of the question that has arisen. I think there is a sufficiency of testimony as makes a prima facie case and entitles the state to the introduction of this evidence.

With reference to the third point, I may say that it is the only point during the discussion upon which I have had serious doubts, whether now the state is entitled to the statements of this man Treiber, made to the witness Bismarck who is now upon the stand. The state insists, if I understand the facts correctly, were made at a time anterior to a meeting which the state says was held in Holden's hall. At that meeting, having been had on the night of August 21, Monday evening, these statements, if I understand them correctly, the facts were made by Treiber to Bismarck sometime during the day on Monday.

Of course I presume there can be no doubt that if they were made prior to the alleged criminal enterprise, which was adopted or known of by the parties in that hall that evening, they are not admissible. I have thought, however, that the better and wiser course perhaps to pursue is to allow these statements to be admitted upon the theory that they were made during

the pendency of the conspiracy, the jury to be properly instructed of course at the proper time in reference to them; and if the jury shall find that a conspiracy, and shall find that these statements were not made during the pendency of the conspiracy, then of course they will not be considered by them. It will, therefore, follow that the objection will be over ruled.

This clears the way for the state for the introduction of a wide run of testimony in which to fully cover the conspiracy and its attending results. The court then adjourned with Koshinski on the stand.

Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, March 29, 1 a. m.—The following are the indications: For Missouri: Rain, higher temperature, southerly winds.

For Kansas: Light rains in eastern portion, fair weather in western portion slightly warmer in eastern portion becoming colder in the western portion, variable winds shifting to westerly.

Snow, Sleet, Hail, Ice.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 29.—A special to the Constitution from Ackworth states that a terrible hail storm accompanied with wind struck that place at 8 o'clock last night. Two dwellings were completely demolished and the occupants had a narrow escape from death.

NORFOLK, Va., March 29.—Reports from the surrounding country indicate serious damage to vegetables from the snow and ice of last night and this morning. Peas, strawberries and cabbage are seriously injured.

DANVILLE, Va., March 29.—The weather very cold here and there was a frost last night. It is feared that much fruit was killed.

WINCHESTER, Va., March 29.—The blizzard today was the coldest experienced here in years at so late a day in March. The thermometer marked 18 at sunrise and it has been very cold all day. It is freezing hard tonight. Frost is not far enough advanced to be injured.

CAJONARIE, N. Y., March 29.—The Dakota blizzard struck the Mohawk Valley today; railway travel is seriously interrupted.

The Morris Murder Trial.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Daily News special from Morris, Ill., says: The examination of witnesses in the railroad murder case commenced here today. S. E. Rumsey, baggage man of the ill-fated train, testified that Kellogg Nichols, the murdered man, was the only express messenger on the road who was accustomed to ride alone in front of the baggage car between Chicago and LaSalle. This fact was intended to show that the murder was probably committed by train men, they knowing that Nichols was alone in the car. Witness being sick did not make the run that night and Watt took his place.

Murder and Robbery.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—A Post-Dispatch special from Little Rock, says: Private agent from Hazen, Ark., gives details of a terrible murder last Saturday. On Sunday morning Benjamin Moff was found hanging dead in his room. It was at first supposed he committed suicide, but later it was found to be murder and robbery. Moff was quite well-to-do and usually kept valuables in his house, and this day it was known he had money in his possession. It seems thieves went to get the money and strung him up to make him tell where it was concealed; learning this, in their greed and haste to get it the thieves neglected the unfortunate man and left him hanging and he died. They secured quite a large amount of booty. No clue to the perpetrators. The country is greatly worked up and every effort is being made to trace the guilty parties, though the late discovery of the cause of the death has given them abundant time to get out of the country.

Appeal for Justice.

BOSTON, Mass., March 29.—At a meeting of the Boston Chamber of Commerce today, a committee was appointed to confer with the trunk line managers and if necessary to appeal to the interstate commission to restrain unjust discrimination against New England in freight charges.

Builders Convention.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Two hundred and fifty delegates from thirty principal cities between Boston and San Francisco, met at the Grant Pacific hotel this morning for the first annual convention of the National Builders' Association. Geo. C. Prussing, of Chicago, was made permanent chairman; Wm. H. Saywood, of Boston, was chosen secretary.

Abbreviations.

General Roswell Ripley died in New York yesterday of apoplexy.

Dr. Ray Palmer, the celebrated phonologist, died at Newark, N. J., yesterday.

The West Point cotton mills at Columbus, Ga., burned; loss two hundred thousand; insured.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company is discharging all its baggage masters and depositing their duties on express messengers. This is said to be owing to the interstate commerce law.

The Democrats of Atchison met in mass convention last night and nominated Frank Royce for mayor. Three women, included one of the Republican nominees, were placed on the ticket for school board.

Oscar C. Parmely died at Peoria, Ill., yesterday aged 80. In the early days he was known all over the country by reason of his extensive system of stages which ran to all points of what was then the "great west."

After a tedious and desperate contest between the counsel for the state and counsel for the saloon keepers of Council Bluffs, Ia., a determination was reached and temporary injunctions were issued and served yesterday on twenty saloons.

Mother Symphonos, of the Sisters of Loretto, Montgomery, Ala., was buried yesterday. She has been for several years mother superior of the Roman Catholic convent there, and was greatly beloved by the whole community.

In the Virginia state senate yesterday a joint resolution was adopted appointing a committee of the two houses to confer with the commissioners of the council of foreign bondholders on the subject of the state debt. It had already been passed by the house.

In the "Lord's day violation" case against Wm. Hogarty, in Boston, who was on trial for keeping his barber shop open on Sunday, the jury in the superior criminal court rendered a verdict against Hogarty, deciding that shaving on Sunday was not a work of necessity or charity. The case will be taken to the supreme court on exceptions.

O. M. Bates, supervisor of the town of Gardner, Utah county, N. Y., a guilty of forgery and has fled to Canada. He has been president of Gardner for the past eight years and has been engaged in the cattle business. It is said Bates failed for \$40,000.

NATIONAL NEWS NOTES

The Chief of the Bureau of Volcanic Geology at Washington

Discusses Upon Seismic Phenomena and Other Scientific Subjects.

The Postmaster General Enlightens Postofficials as to Transportation.

A Blighting Blizzard Prevailed Yesterday from New York to Georgia, Damaging Crops.

A Cosmopolitan Collection of Information, Wise and Otherwise, from All Over the Fair and Favored Country.

CAPITAL BUDGET.

APPOINTMENTS AND SO-FOORTH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.—The appointment made yesterday of Henry O. Billings as receiver of the land office at Haliary, Idaho Territory, has been revoked and Mr. Haliary has been appointed register of the land office at that place.

Baron d'Struve, the Russian minister, accompanied by Secretary Bayard, today paid a farewell visit to the president prior to sailing to Russia. It is said at the department of state that the minister goes to Russia on leave of absence to visit his family.

There was a full attendance at the cabinet meeting the treasury department was represented by Gen. Fairchild.

SEISMIC DATA.

Captain Clarence E. Dutton, chief of the bureau of volcanic geology of the geological survey, will read a paper at the next meeting of the National Academy, which takes place the third week of April, embodying the results of the studying of an immense mass of data upon the Charleston earthquake. He does not propose going beyond well proved facts as to the nature of the seismic phenomena, but he believes that material in hand when fully worked up will add much to the mass of human knowledge regarding the disturbances, the rate of motion of the earthwakes and the kindred points of scientific interest, and that it will be especially valuable in connection with the observation and study of future phenomena. The advance in this respect to a knowledge of the earthquake phenomena may be illustrated by a single point. The recorded rate of motion of earthquakes of history varies from 300 to 900 meters per second. The data upon the Charleston disturbance proves conclusively that the earthwakes traveled between 4,000 and 5,000 meters per second, while French journals at hand containing observations upon the Revin shocks gave data almost exactly the same. It is to be supposed that modern earthquakes are much more rapid than their predecessors, but it is certain that modern methods and opportunities give safer results.

ATTENTION, POSTOFFICIALS.

The postmaster general has issued the following circular addressed to division superintendents and inspectors and other officials and employees of the railway mail service: The attention of the department has been invited by the efforts of many railroad companies to the interstate commerce act, with inquiry how far those provisions which they have deemed restrictive of free travel affects persons or employees of the postal service. The correspondence has almost universally contained expressions of willingness to continue the facilities her